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## OREGON, MO., CHAUTAUQUA, 1912, July 27 To August 4 Bigger, Older, Better Than Ever. 1

More Music, Better Music, Higher Priced Talent, Bigger Guns, Better Camping Facilities, Greater Conveniences. Three Entrances—one at the Interurban track, where all trains will stop to leave and take Passengers. Monster Tent now on the Grounds, 90 by 150 feet. Plenty of small Tents for all who desire to rent them. Well Balanced Programs—\$1,000 for Music alone—The Hussars' Military Band. Three Days; The Anitas' Singing Orchestra. Three Days: Norton's Band and Orchestra. Three Days. Every family in Holt county should secure Season Tickets for this Great Intellectual Feast. If you can't attend all the sessions, pick out the attractions you are most interested in and come on those days. Every courtesy extended to all our friends from neighboring towns and surrounding country. Get Programs on Entrance to Grounds if you have not already received a copy. Below we give you a brief account of the Talent:



The Hussars

A Singing Gand-A Brass Choir. This is a Military Organization, patterned after the famous type of German Soldiers. In addition to regular band work, they give an exhibition drift, showing a number of beautiful maneuvers, during which some intensely amusing situations occur. Six members of this company also form a brass-sextet, and the remaining three a drum corps. Their program is continuous, a series of military pictures and situations weven together by dialogue actions, trumpet, drum and song.



The Anitas' Singing Orchestra

The Anitas' Singing Orchestra, and Mrs. Ralph Dunbar, a company of six attractive young ladies—Singers, Players and Pantomimists, capable of rendering a great variety of music, both instrumental and vocal, including songs with action and special costumes.



Norton's Band and Orchestra

An organization of College bred men who appreciate the Chantaoqua and its ideals—capable of rendering mixed programs of the best classics and the most popular selections string, male and horn quartette; cornet, trombone, xylophone, cello, and baritone soloists. Mr. W. W. Norton, the leader, has previously served as director of such organizations as the Thomas Orchestra, of Chicago; the Minneapolis Symphony, the University of Minnesota Giee Club and other large choruses. We tried hard to get them for last season, but they were already contracted. This year we were successful, and feel that the effort was worth while.



Geo. W. Reavis

Geo. W. Reavis, State Superintendent of Rural Schools. another Holt county man. who has made good. One year ago, Prof. Reavis was

one of our most useful and highly esteemed citizens. He was one of the five man composing the Executive Committee of our 1911 Chautanqua Association, and was also secretary treasurer. No man ever worked harder, or sacrificed more for the association; and none is held in higher esteem by his former associates. Every backer of the Chantanqua and the entire Chautauqua going public will de-I ght to honor our old friend and neighbor, GEO, W. REAVIS, on MONDAY, JULY 29, when he will be with us for an address, and to present the Diplomas to the Rural Graduates



Wm. J. Bryan

Few men, living or dead, have ever commanded such a strong personal following for such a length of time, and at

the same time grown constantly in the confidence and esteem of his political opponents, as has the "Old Commoner"-WM. J. BRYAN. He comes to us fresh from both the Chicago and Baltimore conventions, having been a newspaper reporter of the former, and a leading participant of the latter; and while he does not come as a campaign speaker, he is likely to give his hearers some "nuts to crack," and will assuredly leave with them much food for thought. In these times of independent thought and action, when party ties are crumbling like ropes of sand -only the 'man With a Message' is really worth while. Mr. Bryan will never be President, but he is nevertheless one of the truly great men of the earth.



Dr. A Ross Hill

Dr. Hill typifies the scholarly gentle-man of the old school blended and balanced with the best of modern thought and action. He has a mess-age for us on Educational Day.



The Spragues



Ex-Governor Richard Yates



A. W. Hawks



Chas. Grant Jordan



**Grace Parlette** 



Platt Jones



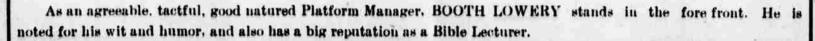
Dr. S. A. Steele

Every Chantauqua must have something in the way of light entertainment for variety. The Spragues will give us two such entertainments, in their character plays "Rip Van Winkie," and "Esmercida" on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Hon. Richard Yates, ex-Gov. of Illinois, and son of the "Old War Governor," is a man of strong and forceful personality, a gifted and eloquent public speaker—conceded to be one of the strongest and ablest Republican orators in the West. Every man, woman and child owes it as a duty to society to be well imformed in matters of history, religion, sociology, politics and current events, as his situation in life will permit; and there is no better way to be mentally and morally applifted than by coming in close touch with such men as Yates and Bryan. Several old citizens in various parts of our county have told members of the committee that they had known and heard "Dick Yates" "back in Illinois," and that they were coming to Oregon sure to hear him again. That genius who holds his audiences spell-bound one minute in laughter and the next with tears in their eyes. Sunshine Hawks is one of the most versatile men on the platform, a really great lecturer, whose work is high-grade humor, pathos and philosophy—entertaining, uptifing and enduring. We were fortunate in securing him for a second day. (Our original contract was for one day only,) and expect a great attendance on these days. Wednesday and Thursday. Every-body will come back Thursday to hear "Peculiar People I Have Met." Dr. Chas. Grant Jordan, one of New York's leading clergymen, will lecture on Sunshine and Shadow," on Wednesday, and everybody will give a sacred concert. Have you ever heard of Raiph Pariette? Ah well: "Brief is the story that here earns," We've had Raiph two seasons consecutively, but we couldn't have touched him this year with a ten-foot pole. However, we have Grace, (Ralph's sister,) who has made good at many of the largest Chautauquas in the country. Her strong forte is



Rev. Albert Caldwell

work with children—entertainment, training and instruction. Miss Parlette will be with us six days and will conduct a course of work with the children each day in the children's tent. She is an adept child's "story teller" and will also give some readings for the older people. On Friday afternoon she will conduct the Children's Exhibition. Platt Jones has a big reputation as a lecturer, an entertainer—a character study man. A little humor and fun after the heavy work of graduating the Rural youths of Holt county, will give us the necessary diversity for the close of a big day. Dr. S. A. Steele, one of Tennessee's talented men, whose stories of the old south—rich in humor and pathos—are classics of the platform—comes with a humorous lecture on conditions in ante-bellum days, entitled, "Home Life in Dixie Before the War." This will be a very humorous, instructive and entertaining number. You should by all means make it a point to hear Dr. Steele. Press reports concerning Rev. Albert Caldwell's narrow escape from death on the Titanic, state that when the life boats were being lowered for the women and children, he assisted his young wife and sleeping babe into the boat, bade them farewell and stepped back; at this juncture an officer shoved him into the boat and commanded him to "take an oar." Hear his account of this terrible sea tragedy, on SUNDAY, AUGUST 4TH.





Booth Lowery, Platform Mgr